

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: By Chairman Scott Mendenhall, on March 19, 2007
at 9:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Scott Mendenhall, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jim Keane, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Mike Milburn, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Shannon Augare (D)
Rep. Scott Boggio (R)
Rep. Ernie Dutton (R)
Rep. Kevin T. Furey (D)
Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (D)
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bart Campbell, Legislative Branch
Nancy Kraft, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 74, 3/12/2007; SB 92, 3/12/2007;
SB 165, 3/12/2007
Executive Action: SB 319; SB 339; SB 108; SB 45

HEARING ON SB 92

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:52 Sen. Donald Steinbeisser (R), SD 19, opened the hearing on SB 92, Revise mortgage broker and loan origination licensing act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:00 Annie Goodwin, Commissioner of Banking and Financial Institutions

00:24:04 Kristi Blazer, Montana Association of Mortgage Brokers

00:27:17 Cyndy Rigler, Western Home Mortgage, Livingston, Montana

EXHIBIT (buh58a01)

00:31:53 Jerry Loendorf, Montana Consumer Finance Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:07 Rep. Keane

00:34:21 Ms. Goodwin

00:36:13 Kris Leitheiser, Department of Administration

00:37:38 Rep. Reinhart

00:37:49 Ms. Goodwin

00:38:13 Rep. Dutton

00:38:47 Ms. Goodwin

00:40:45 Rep. Arntzen

00:42:55 Ms. Goodwin

00:43:34 Rep. Dutton

00:44:23 Ms. Rigler

00:47:32 Rep. Mendenhall

Closing by Sponsor:

00:47:58 Sen. Steinbeisser

HEARING ON SB 165

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:49:01 Sen. John Brueggeman (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB 165, Revise deferred deposit loan act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:50:49 Annie Goodwin, Commissioner of Banking and Financial
Institutions
01:03:11 Bernie Harrington, Montana Financial Service Centers
01:07:03 Riley Johnson, Community Financial Services Association
of America

EXHIBIT (buh58a02)

01:10:30 Chris Gallus, Staples Law Firm, Consumer Loans of
America

Opponents' Testimony:

01:11:17 Alex Coutts

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:01 Rep. Reinhart
01:12:19 Mr. Harrington
01:14:27 Rep. Van Dyk
01:18:06 Ms. Goodwin
01:18:49 Rep. Augare
01:19:22 Ms. Goodwin
01:20:18 Rep. Dutton
01:21:16 Mr. Harrington
01:25:01 Rep. Arntzen
01:25:38 Mr. Harrington
01:26:45 Rep. Milburn
01:27:06 Ms. Harrington

Closing by Sponsor:

01:27:24 Sen. Brueggeman

HEARING ON SB 74

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:28:17 Sen. Larry Jent (D), SD 32, opened the hearing on SB
74, Revise title loan act.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:30:37 Annie Goodwin, Commissioner of Banking and Financial
Institutions

Opponents' Testimony:

01:38:41 Alex Coutts

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:39:14 Rep. Keane

01:42:06 Ms. Goodwin

01:44:23 Rep. Milburn

Closing by Sponsor:

01:45:10 Sen. Jent

01:46:34 Break

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 319

02:09:43 **Motion:** Rep. Keane moved that SB 319 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

02:10:11 Rep. Dutton

02:10:50 Rep. Keane

02:11:03 Rep. Reinhart

02:12:00 Rep. Dutton

02:13:08 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-0 by roll call vote. Rep. Furey voted by proxy. Rep. Mendenhall will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 339

02:14:37 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 339 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

02:14:47 Rep. Keane

02:15:08 Rep. Reinhart

02:16:49 Rep. Milburn

02:17:27 Rep. Thomas

02:18:39 Rep. Jones

02:19:38 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-4 by roll call vote with Reps. Augare, Keane, Reinhart, and Van Dyk voting no. Rep.

Furey voted by proxy. Rep. Mendenhall will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 108

02:20:59 **Motion:** Rep. Keane moved that SB 108 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

02:21:17 Rep. Mendenhall

02:22:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Furey voted by proxy. Rep. Keane will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 45

02:23:33 **Motion:** Rep. Keane moved that SB 45 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

2:23:42 Rep. Milburn
02:25:20 Rep. Reinhart
02:26:29 Rep. Keane
02:26:49 Rep. Arntzen
02:27:44 Rep. Dutton
02:28:42 Rep. Stahl
02:30:25 Rep. Reinhart

02:31:08 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-4 by roll call vote with Reps. Boggio, Dutton, Mendenhall, and Milburn voting no. Rep. Furey voted by proxy. Rep. Furey will carry the bill.

02:31:50 Discussion on Subcommittee for HB 69, HB 141; SB 74; SB 92; and SB 165

ADJOURNMENT

02:34:34 Adjournment: 11:35 A.M.

REP. SCOTT MENDENHALL, Chairman

NANCY KRAFT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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